

The Commissioner will pay the award of fees directly to Plaintiff's counsel, provided that it is shown that as of the date of this Order, the Plaintiff does not owe any debt to the United States Government which is subject to offset. See *Astrue v. Ratliff*, 130 S.Ct. 2521 (2010).

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that:

1. The Plaintiff's Motion for Attorney Fees under the Equal Access to Justice Act (Doc. No. 17) is hereby **GRANTED**, and the Plaintiff is hereby awarded attorney's fees in the amount of Six Thousand One Hundred and Forty-Seven Dollars and Forty-three Cents (\$6,147.43), which sum is in full satisfaction of any and all claims the Plaintiff in this case pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2412(d).
2. The Commissioner shall inform Plaintiff's counsel whether the Plaintiff owes a debt to the Government by which this fee award may be offset no later than thirty (30) days from entry of this Order. Within the same time period, the Plaintiff shall provide a valid fee assignment to the Defendant.
3. In the event that past-due benefits are awarded on remand, the Plaintiff shall have thirty (30) day after being served with notice of the past-due benefits award to file for an award of fees pursuant to the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. § 406(b).
4. No additional Petition pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2412(d) may be filed.

Signed: February 4, 2015



Robert J. Conrad, Jr.
United States District Judge

